Imparting water repellency to leather and fur skins

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- Water repellency is imparted to leather and fur skins by a process in which leather or fur skin is treated, before, during or after the retanning, with one or more formulations comprising from 1 to 30% by weight, based on the formulation, of a mixture of polysiloxanes comprising
- from 10 to 90% by weight, based on the mixture, of one or more carboxyl-containing polysiloxanes,
 - from 90 to 10% by weight, based on the mixture, of one or more carboxyl-free polysiloxanes
 - and from 3 to 25% by weight, based on the formulation, of at least one emulsifier.